RESOLUTION NO. 7673

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, AFFIRMING THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA'S COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY AND TO SAFEGUARDING THE CIVIL RIGHTS, SAFETY AND DIGNITY OF ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS

WHEREAS, on December 21, 2016, the City adopted Resolution 7491, asserting the City of South Pasadena belief that diversity of backgrounds, perspectives, and experiences of the American people – native and immigrant – makes our nation, communities, bonds between neighbors, and economies richer and stronger; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Pasadena supports citizens' rights under the First Amendment to peacefully protest and to express their viewpoint, without fear of reprisal; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Pasadena will not tolerate hate crimes of any kind, including, but not limited to, actions taken to repress or intimidate the expression of the viewpoints of others; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Pasadena does not tolerate hate crimes, harassment, or assault, and believes each person is naturally and legally entitled to live a life without harassment, discrimination, persecution, or assault, whether perpetrated by individuals, groups, businesses, or governments; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Pasadena will oppose any attempts to undermine the safety, security, and rights of members of our community and will work proactively to ensure the rights and privileges of everyone in the City, regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, country of birth, immigration status, disability, gender, sexual orientation, or gender identity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City of South Pasadena reaffirms the public policy of the City to be inclusive and to respect the inherent worth of every person, without regard to a person's race, color, religion, national origin, sex, gender identity, immigration status, disability, housing status, economic status, political affiliation, or cultural practices. Acts of discrimination and crimes motivated by hatred toward a person's affiliation with any protected classification, their viewpoint or its expression have no place in our community and will not be tolerated by the City.

SECTION 2. The City Clerk of the City of South Pasadena shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and its approval by the City Council and shall cause the same to be listed in the records of the City.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON this 5th day of August, 2020.

Robert Joe, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Evelyn G. Tneimer, Esq.

Evelyn G. Zneimer, City Clerk (seal)

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Teresa L. Highsmith, City Attorney

I HEREBY CERTIFY the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of South Pasadena, California, at a regular meeting held on the 5th day of August, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Cacciotti, Khubesrian, Schneider, Mahmud, and Mayor Joe

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

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Evelyn G. Zneimer, Esq.

Evelyn G. Zneimer, City Clerk

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